# Medication Management for People with Persistent Asthma

### Definition

The percentage of patients 5–64 years of age during the measurement year who were identified as having persistent asthma and were dispensed appropriate medications that they remained on during the treatment period. Two rates are reported:

- 1. The percentage of patients who remained on an asthma controller medication for at least 50 percent of their treatment period.
- 2. The percentage of patients who remained on an asthma controller medication for at least 75 percent of their treatment period.

## Numerator

- 1. The number of patients who achieved a PDC of at least 50 percent for their asthma controller medications during the measurement year
- 2. The number of patients who achieved a PDC of at least 75 percent for their asthma controller medications during the measurement year

# Denominator

Patients age 5-64 years by December 31 of the measurement year.

### Denominator Codes

Denominator Codes	
Visit Type	With Asthma Diagnosis
ONE ED Visit	J45.20, J45.21, J45.22,
CPT: 99281, 99282, 99283, 99284, 99285	J45.30, J45.31, J45.32,
UBREV: 0450, 0451, 0452, 0456, 0459, 0981	J45.40, J45.41, J45.42,
ONE Acute Visit	J45.50, J45.51, J45.52,
CPT: 99221- 99223, 99231- 99233, 99238, 99239,	J45.901, J45.902,
99251- 99255, 99291	J45.909, J45.990,
UBREV: 0100, 0110, 0111, 0112, 0113, 0114, 0119,	J45.991, J45.998
0120, 0121, 0122, 0123, 0124, 0129, 0130, 0131,	
0132, 0133, 0134, 0139, 0140, 0141, 0142, 0143,	
0144, 0149, 0150, 0151, 0152, 0153, 0154, 0159,	
0160, 0164, 0167, 0169, 0200, 0201, 0202, 0203,	
0204, 0206, 0207, 0208, 0209, 0210, 0211, 0212,	
0213, 0214, 0219, 0720, 0721, 0722, 0723, 0724,	
0729, 0987	
FOUR Outpatient Visits	
CPT: 99201-99205, 99211-99215, 99241-99245,	
99341-99345, 99347-99350, 99381-99387, 99391-	

99397, 99401-99404, 99411, 99412, 99420, 99429,
99455, 99456
UBREV: 0510, 0511, 0512, 0513, 0514, 0515, 0516,
0517, 0519, 0520, 0521, 0522, 0523, 0526, 0527,
0528, 0529, 0982, 0983
FOUR Observation Visits
99217, 99218, 99219, 99220

# <u>OR</u>

4 asthma medication refills during the measurement year

Description	Prescriptions
Antiasthmatic combinations	Dyphylline-guaifenesin
	Guaifenesin-theophylline
Antibody inhibitor	Omalizumab
Inhaled steroid combinations	Budesonide-formoterol
	Fluticasone-vilanterol
	Fluticasone-salmeterol
	Mometasone-formoterol
Inhaled corticosteroids	Beclomethasone
	Ciclesonide
	Budesonide
	Flunisolide
	Mometasone
	Fluticasone CFC free
Leukotriene modifiers	Montelukast
	Zafirlukast
	Zileuton
Mast cell stabilizers	Cromolyn
Methylxanthines	Aminophylline
	Dyphylline
	Theophylline
Short-acting, inhaled beta-2	Albuterol
agonists	Levalbuterol
	Pirbuterol

#### Denominator Exclusions

 Patients who had any diagnosis of any of the following, any time during the patient's history through December 31 of the measurement year:

Diagnosis	Code
Emphysema	ICD-10: J43.0, J43.1, J43.2, J43.8, J43.9,
	J98.2, J98.3
	ICD-9: 492.0, 492.8, 518.1, 518.2
COPD	ICD-10: J44.0, J44.1, J44.9
	ICD-9: 493.20, 493.21, 493.22, 496
Obstructive Chronic bronchitis	ICD-9: 437.20, 491.21, 491.22
Chronic Respiratory Conditions	ICD-10: J68.4
due to Fumes/Vapors	ICD-9: 506.4
Cystic Fibrosis	ICD-10: E84.0, E84.11, E84.19, E84.8, E84.9
	ICD-9: 277.00, 277.01, 277.02, 277.03, 277.09
Acute Respiratory Failure	ICD-10: J96.00, J96.01, J96.02, J96.20,
	J96.21, J96.22
	ICD-9: 518.81

2. Patients who have no asthma controller medications dispensed during the measurement year:

Description	Prescriptions
Antiasthmatic combinations	Dyphylline-guaifenesin
	Guaifenesin-theophylline
Antibody inhibitor	Omalizumab
Inhaled steroid combinations	Budesonide-formoterol
	Fluticasone-salmeterol
	Mometasone-formoterol
	Fluticasone-vilanterol
Inhaled corticosteroids	Beclomethasone
	Budesonide
	Ciclesonide
	Flunisolide
	Mometasone
	Fluticasone CFC free
Leukotriene modifiers	Montelukast
	Zafirlukast
	Zileuton
Mast cell stabilizers	Cromolyn
Methylxanthines	Aminophylline
	Dyphylline
	Theophylline